

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applic. No.	: 10/533,558	Confirmation No: 4338
Applicant	: Alfred Bernhard, et al.	
Filed	: June 9, 2005	
Title	: Use of a Hard Metal Alloy	
Art Unit	: 1742	
Examiner	: Ngoclan T. Mai	
Docket No.	: SB-521	
Customer No.	: 24131	

AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office action dated May 18, 2006 kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.